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October 4, 2010

One O'Hare Centre

FIRST UNION RAIL

6250 River Road, Suite 5000 Rosemont, IL 60018-4214

> Chief, Section of Administration Office of Proceedings **Surface Transportation Board** 395 E Street, S.W., Suite 100 Washington, DC 20423-0001 Re: Documents for Rail Recordation

> > Re: **Memorandum of Lease Agreement**

Dear Section Chief:

Enclosed for recordation pursuant to the provisions of 49 U.S.C. Section 11301(a) are two (2) originals and one (1) copy of a Memorandum of Lease Agreement dated September 16, 2010 a primary document as defined in the Board's Rules for the Recordation of Documents. Please file this Memorandum of Lease as a primary document since a Master Lease has not been filed with the Surface Transportation Board. The names and addresses of the parties to the enclosed document are:

First Union Rail Corporation Lessee: Aventine Renewable Energy, Inc.

> One O'Hare Centre 120 North Parkway Drive

6250 N River Road, Suite 5000 Pekin, IL 61555

Rosemont, IL 60018

A description of the railroad equipment covered by the enclosed document is for forty nine (49) 6.351 cubic foot covered hopper cars; having TILX marks to be remarked to FURX (see Exhibit A for car numbers).

A short summary of the document to appear in the index follows: Memorandum of Lease

Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$41.00 payable to the order of the Surface Transportation Board covering the required recordation fee. Kindly return one (1) stamped original of the enclosed document to the undersigned along with the additional copies.

If you have any questions regarding the above-referenced matter, please contact me at (847) 384-5397. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

Marcia Dunne

Senior Rail Documentation Specialist

Enclosure (AVRE006) ASSGN, NO. AVRE006

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MEMORANDUM OF LEASE

THIS MEMORANDUM OF LEASE (the "Memorandum") is made and entered into as of this the day of day of corporation, 20/0, by and between First Union Rail Corporation ("Lessor"), a North Carolina corporation, and Aventine Renewable Energy, Inc. ("Lessee"), a Delaware corporation.

WITNESSETH:

The undersigned Lessor and Lessee have entered into that certain Lease Agreement (the "Lease"), dated as of supplimed 16, 20/0, whereby Lessor has agreed to lease to Lessee certain railcars pursuant to Rider No. 1 to the Lease (the "Rider"), as described in more particular on Exhibit A attached hereto, effective as of April 29, 2010, and subject to the terms, conditions and provisions of the above-mentioned Lease and Rider.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have each caused this Memorandum to be duly executed under seal by their respective officers duly authorized as of the date and year first above written.

	LESSOR:
ATTEST:	FIRST UNION RAIL CORPORATION By: Ruhul P. Seymon
By: K.A. SOMBROWSKI Title: DIRECTOR OF SOCIMENTATI	Name: RICHARD FOR THE STORY OF SEPTEMBER 2010.
[CORPORATE SEAL]	
STATE OF TOUNTY OF COOK	
	, a Notary Public of the County and State aforesaid, personally appeared before me this day and egoing Memorandum of Lease.
WITNESS my hand and official stamp	or seal, this 16 TH day of September, 2010.
	Janice L. Endun Notary Public
My Commission Expires:	Troubly Tubile
8-2-2014	
(Notary Public)	JANCE L ENOLVÁ MY COMMISSION EXPIRES AUGUST 2, 2014
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LESSEE:

AVENTINE RENEWABLE ENERGY, INC.

ATTEST:	By: Exales
	Name: BENJAMIN BONGEN
By:	Title: SUP, CommoDITIES
Name:	-
Title:	Executed on this day of,
[CORPORATE SEAL]	
STATE OF	
COUNTY OF	
I,	, a Notary Public of the County and State aforesaid,personally appeared before me this day and the foregoing Memorandum of Lease.
WITNESS my hand and official	stamp or seal, this day of,
Commission Expires:	Notary Public
(Notary Public)	
(1.000)	

EXHIBIT A - to - MEMORANDUM OF LEASE

NUMBER OF CARS: Forty-nine (49)

6,351 cubic foot covered hopper cars, equipped with 42" x 42" gates. DESCRIPTION OF CARS:

CAR NUMBERS:

CAR <u>INITIAL</u> TILX	CAR <u>NUMBER</u> 637853	NEW CAR <u>INITIAL</u> FURX	NEW CAR NUMBER 863400	CAR <u>INITIAL</u> TILX	CAR NUMBER 637898	NEW CAR <u>INITIAL</u> FURX	NEW CAR <u>NUMBER</u> 863445
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TILX	637856	FURX	863403	TILX	637901	FURX	863448
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